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LITTLEVILLE, USA--

GRANDPA? YOU THINK IT'S *US*?

WHAT?

WELL, LOOK. OUR VAN *BREAKS DOWN* IN THIS TINY TOWN--

--MILES FROM *ANYWHERE*--

THE HARBOR CLUB
FINE DINING

--AND BEN *STILL* WINDS UP FIGHTING A *SUPER-VILLAIN!*

ZZZTAY *BACK*, CREATURE!

ZZZEEK *NOT* TO INTERFERE WITH THE CRIMINAL DEALINGZZZ OF *MY VOLTAGE!*

SHYEAH, *RIGHT!*

BEN 10 A VILLAIN A DAY

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"HV VOLTAGE"? GOTTA WORK ON THAT *NAME*, DUDE!

THEY CALL *ME* RIPJAWS. WANNA KNOW *WHY*?

KEEP WATCHING THE *FRONT END* OF YOUR BOAT!

THIZZ BECOMEZZZ *TIREZZZOME*.

DO YOU *REALIZZZE*, CREATURE--

--THAT WATER *CONDUCTS ELECTRICITY*?

ARRRGH!

...DRAMATIC *ESCAPE* EARLIER TODAY!

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YEAH. BECAUSE MY *DOOFUS* COUSIN DOESN'T KNOW THAT WHEN YOU FIGHT SOMEBODY *ELECTRIC*, YOU SHOULDN'T JUMP IN THE *WATER!*

GIVE ME A *BREAK!* THERE WAS A *LAKE!* WHO WAS I *SUPPOSED* TO TURN INTO?

GEEZAMATAZZ! WHAT A *MESS!* IT'LL TAKE TWO OR THREE *DAYS* JUST TO GET THE *PARTS!*

THREE *DAYS?* IS THERE ANY WAY TO DO IT SOONER?

...IS BUT THE *LATEST* ADDITION TO THE RASH OF SUPER-VILLAINS WHO HAVE RECENTLY APPEARED TO TERRORIZE LITTLEVILLE.

KNIGHTMARE

AIR-WALKER

THE TOWN IS LEFT TO WONDER: WHERE DO THEY *COME* FROM? ARE THERE *OTHERS* WAITING IN THE WINGS?

GIMMICK GUY

CYCLOTRON

'COURSE, IF YOU CAN'T WAIT FOR *REAL* PARTS, I CAN PROBABLY COBBLE SOMETHING TOGETHER. I'M PRETTY GOOD AT *TINKERING!*

COME BACK IN A FEW HOURS, AND I'LL SEE WHAT I CAN DO.

HMMM...

THANKS.

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LATER--

NOT A BAD LUNCH. IT'S BEEN *AGES* SINCE I HAD A GOOD *MACROBIOTIC* MEAL...

YEAH, RIGHT. THE *TOFU PILAF* WAS A REAL *TREAT.*

I DON'T GET IT. WHY WOULD SO *MANY* SUPER-VILLAINS SHOW UP *ALL AT ONCE?*

YEAH. ESPECIALLY IN A NOWHERE TOWN LIKE *LITTLEVILLE!*

BEN! THIS IS A *NICE* TOWN!

BUT YOU'RE RIGHT ABOUT THE VILLAINS. IT MUST BE A *FLUKE*-- ONCE IN A LIFETIME.

HIT THE DIRT, LOSERS!

KA-BOOM

'CAUSE *URBAN GORILLA* IS COMIN' THROUGH!

OKAY, MAYBE *TWICE* IN A LIFETIME.

I'M *ON* IT!

LIKE THEY SAY, "IT *TAKES* A SUPER-POWERED ANIMAL TO *CATCH* A SUPER-POWERED --"

GRRRRAAWWRR!

WILDMUTT?

WILDMUTT.

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WAH-HOOO!

I DON'T KNOW WHERE YOU CAME FROM, DOGFACE!

BUT I'M GONNA MAKE A *MONKEY* OUTTA--

CHOOM

CHOOM

CHOOM

WHA--? THAT WAS *RAPID FIRE!* HOW'D YOU *DODGE?*

GEEZAMATAZZ! *WATCH* IT, WILLYA?

RAWW-RRRR!

THIS *SONIC GRENADE* OUGHTTA HOLD YA!

PURE *BARRAGE* OF *SOUND!*

ARROOOOOOO!

HEY! WHERE'D HE GO?

A HEAVILY ARMED *GORILLA* WITH *GRENADES?*

ANYWHERE HE *WANTS.*

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BEN! CAN WE STOP WITH THE BLINDING FLASHES OF LIGHT ALREADY?

SORRY.

MAKES SENSE. ARE YOU SURE?

THAT WAS NO GORILLA, THOUGH.

WILDMUTT'S INFRARED VISION SHOWED A GUY INSIDE THAT GORILLA SUIT--

--AND I BET I KNOW WHO!

REALLY? IT'D BE NICE TO PUT AT LEAST ONE OF THESE CROOKS OUT OF BUSINESS...

OH, I CAN DO BETTER THAN THAT--

--I CAN SHUT 'EM ALL DOWN!

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I CAN'T *BELIEVE* IT, RICKY! YOU *FIXED* IT!

URROOOOOOMMM

YUP, IT'S RUNNING FINE NOW. I *TOLD* YOU I LIKE TO TINKER.

BUT CARS AREN'T *ALL* YOU TINKER WITH, HUH?

"GEEZAMATAZZ," RICKY, WHAT ARE THE *ODDS*?

A WHOLE *ARMY* OF SUPER-VILLAINS IN A SMALL TOWN?

AND ONE OF THEM SAYS "*GEEZAMATAZZ*," LIKE YOU?

WHO-- WHO *ARE* YOU?

NAME'S *UPGRADE*. BUT I'M NOT *DONE* YET.

SEE, I NOTICED ALL THE CROOKS ON TV WERE *LEFT-HANDED*, LIKE *YOU*!

THAT'S WHEN I REALIZED YOU WEREN'T *ONE* OF THE BAD GUYS--

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--YOU'RE ALL OF THEM!

ONE SECRET IDENTITY WOULD LEAVE A TRAIL FOR THE COPS! LOTS OF SECRET IDENTITIES THREW EVERYONE OFF--

--EXCEPT YOU!

YEAH, WELL, LET'S JUST SAY--

--I'M FAMILIAR WITH THE IDEA!

THWAK

YOU KNOW, THAT WAS A NICE PIECE OF DETECTIVE WORK, BEN.

YEAH, TWERP. NICE PUNCH, TOO!

NO BIGGIE. IT WAS SOMETHING I HAD TO DO...

...THIS ONE-HORSE TOWN WASN'T BIG ENOUGH FOR THE TWENTY OF US!

THE END

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THE GREAT CHEESESTEAK ESCAPE

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BAKE-N-STEAK

BELLY BUSTER CHEESESTEAK

KIVA, TODAY IS A VERY SPECIAL DAY!

RUMMBLE

WHY? ARE YOU GOING TO GIVE MEGAS *BACK* TO ME?

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN AN ADVANCED ROBOT FROM THE FUTURE FALLS INTO THE WRONG HANDS? THINGS GET SMASHED!

UHHH... NO.

ACTUALLY WORK ON YOUR *PILOTING SKILLS* AND MAYBE NOT DESTROY THE CITY *AGAIN*?

HECK NO! SOMETHING *WAY* BETTER!

TODAY YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE ONE OF OUR TIME'S MOST AMAZING DELICACIES-- A GENUINE JERSEY CITY CHEESESTEAK!

BELLY BUSTER

NICE!

CAN'T YOU JUST *TASTE* THAT FAKE-CHEESY GOODNESS?

I THINK I'M GOING TO BE SICK...

NO, THAT HAPPENS *AFTER* YOU EAT IT...

SPLORCH

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LADIES FIRST.

DO I *HAVE* TO...?

THIS IS GONNA BE SO GOOD...

BAKE'N' STEAK

WHAT'S GOING ON?

WHOA!

WHAT?

NOOOOO!!

...THANK GOODNESS...

THAT'S JUST MEAN!

THEY'RE SNATCHING *ALL* THE CHEESESTEAK SHOPS!

OH. YEAH. THAT'S SO AWFUL. SOMEONE SHOULD DO SOMETHING...

AND THAT SOMEONE IS *US!* AND THAT SOMETHING IS *SMASH!*

LET'S DO THIS!

THWUNK

OW... FELL ON MY KEYS...

BAM DHOW

WHO WOULD BE SNAGGING UP ALL THE CHEESESTEAK PLACES? I MEAN, BESIDES *YOU*, OF COURSE...

MUST BE THE *GLORFT*—THEY'RE GOING AFTER MY *WEAKNESS*.

TOO *SMART* FOR GLORFT. CAN'T SEEM TO GET ANY KIND OF READING ON THE ENERGY SOURCE...

I'M GOING TO NEED MORE *TIME* TO FIGURE OUT WHAT'S HAPPENING...

NO TIME FOR *FIGURING!* WE HAVE TO GET *CROSS-TOWN!*

FRANKIE FUNTIME?

YEP.

BRRMMMMMMMM

WHO IS *FRANKIE FUNTIME* AND HOW IS HE GOING TO HELP US AGAINST ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY THAT SEEMS TO BE SNAPPING UP CHEESESTEAK STORES?

NOT WHO-- WHAT. FRANKIE ISN'T A *GUY*, IT'S A *PLACE*. FRANKIE FUNTIME-- *IT'S A VIDEO GAME ARCADE.*

AND IT SERVES *CHEESESTEAKS!* BET WHOEVER'S ZAPPING THE CHEESESTEAK JOINTS DOESN'T KNOW THAT!

NO TIME TO GO BACK AND PICK UP THE REST OF MEGAS, SO WE'LL HAVE TO DO A "COMBAT DOCK"!

CLINT

AIN'T GOT NO BOO

WAIT A MINUTE... WHAT'S A "COMBAT DOCK"?

IF I TOLD YOU, YOU WOULDN'T LET ME DO IT...

DO WHAT!?

THIS!

ROAAAR

WEEEE-HAAAAWWWW!

AHHHHHH!

FOOOM

COOOOOP!

CLICK

I KINDA HATE "COMBAT DOCK."

ME TOO...

COOP-- WE'RE TOO LATE!

NO WAY! I AIN'T LETTING FRANKIE GO AWAY LIKE THAT!

SHRACK

BLORPRT

SO THIS IS WHERE THEY WENT.

BUT WHERE IS THIS?

ALL OF THE WORLD'S FINEST CHEESESTEAK ESTABLISHMENTS IN ONE PLACE! IF I WASN'T SO ANGRY, I'D BE HUNGRY...ER...

GREETINGS, EARTH PEOPLE!

WE GREET YOU WITH OPEN ARMS AND WOULD...

CLANK

AND I GREET YOU WITH OPEN FISTS!

TECHNICALLY, THAT WOULD BE A CLOSED FIST...

WHATEVER. AS LONG AS IT HURTS!

OK. WHO'S NEXT?

Z-ZZZZAHHHHHHHH

THERE'S NO NEED FOR THIS VIOLENCE. IT REALLY ISN'T NECESSARY...

MAY NOT BE *NECES-SARY*, BUT IT SURE IS *FUN!*

COOP. WE NEED TO FIND OUT WHAT'S GOING ON HERE...

KINDA OBVIOUS, RED. THEY'RE STEALING ALL OF EARTH'S CHEESE-STEAK SHOPS, AND NOW COOP HAS TO MAKE THINGS RIGHT.

AND BY RIGHT, I MEAN *WRONG!*

RIGHT!

CHUNK

NICE FORM, COOP!

I'VE BEEN PRACTICING.

PLEASE STOP ATTACKING US! WE ONLY CAME HERE FOR YOUR EARTH DELICACY. WE MEANT NO HARM! *WE JUST WANTED A CHEESESTEAK!*

WAIT A MINUTE. SO YOU GUYS JUST CAME HERE FOR *CHEESESTEAKS?*

HAS THE WHOLE UNIVERSE GONE MAD?

BLAST THEM ANYWAY, COOP!

CAN'T REALLY BLAME A GUY FOR WANTING A *CHEESESTEAK*. I MEAN, IT LOOKS LIKE YOU *SPACE DUDES* LIKE CHEESESTEAKS AS MUCH AS I DO. MAYBE *MORE...*

BOOM

COOP, YOU RUPTURED THEIR *REACTOR STABILIZER!* WE HAVE TO GET OUT OF HERE!

WHAT ABOUT ALL THE CHEESESTEAK SHOPS?

NO *TIME!* LEAVE THEM!

NOOOOO!

KABOOOO

AND WHO MIGHT YOU BE?

HEY, JACK, THE NAME'S MIKE-- WITH AN "IKE."

GLAD I FINALLY CAUGHT UP WITH YA-- YOU SEEM LIKE A "FUN GUY."

YOU'RE A MUSHROOM, RIGHT?

GET IT-- A 'FUN-GHI'?

FUME

--OF YOUR SHELL?-- ULP!

Y'KNOW, THEY TOLD ME, YOU WANNA BE A STAND-UP COMIC, THEN DON'T USE SAMURAI JACK TO PROVE YER "FUNNYMAN" CREDENTIALS!

WHAT'LL IT TAKE TO MAKE YOU LAUGH, HUH? WHAT'S GONNA BRING YOU OUT--

SAMURAI JACK

CRACK OF DOOM!

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FZZZZZ

RUMMBLE

...UH.

SKOOM

SKLIK

FZZZZ

NUH...

HEY! WHY DID THE ORANGE STOP AT THE ROAD?

SMAK

OOF!

HE RAN OUT OF JUICE!

HEY, WHAT GIVES? THAT "ORANGE AND ROAD" GAG IS A *CLASSIC* OF ITS KIND!

THIS *JACK* IS ONE FOR THE GRIM, PAINED EXPRESSIONS, SURE, BUT NOT EVEN A SNICKER...?

HOW CAN THIS BE? WHERE THE *CREATURE* GROWS STRONGER, *I* GROW WEAKER!

AHH...

FZZZ

NNUGH-- IS THIS THE POINT WHERE ALL MY *STRENGTH* IS GONE, SUCKED DRY? MY *QUEST* FINALLY AT AN END?

I SAY... NO!

SLICE

THE *CRACKS* ON THE GROUND ARE THE *SOURCE* OF THE CREATURE'S POWER--

--LEECHING MY *LIFE FORCE* EVERY TIME I *STEP* ON THEM!

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SO I MUST *AVOID* THE CRACKS--

--BEFORE DEALING--

--THE FINAL BLOW!

TWO *FISH* IN A *TANK*. ONE SAYS TO THE OTHER, HOW DO YOU *DRIVE* THIS THING?

OK, WHERE'S THE UNCONTROLLABLE GIGGLES? THE SIDE-SPLITTING GUFFAWING?

I *GIVE UP!* I'LL NEVER *CRACK* THAT LEGENDARY STONY GLARE!

"CRACK" YOU SAY? *HA HA!*

HA HA HA HA HA

RESULT!

I *REALLY* "CRACK" THE GUY UP!

END

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Send your letters today:

JOHNNY DC SAYS: LET THE MAIL BEGIN!

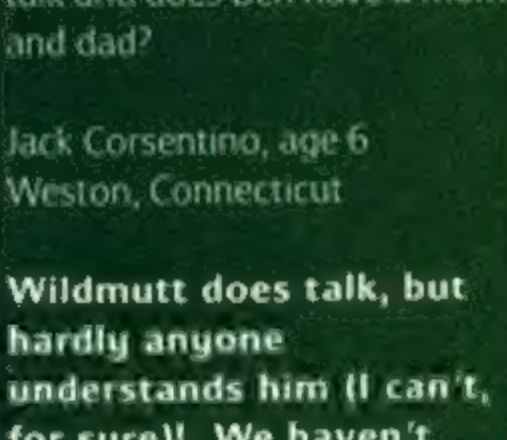
Welcome to the CARTOON NETWORK ACTION PACK letters page. This is where you Action Packers get to network with each other! Here comes a fan now, with some good cartoon questions:

Dear Johnny DC,

I am sending you this picture that I drew of BEN 10 and all of his aliens! I also have two questions for you. Does the character Wildmutt actually talk and does Ben have a mom and dad?

Jack Corsentino, age 6
Weston, Connecticut

Wildmutt does talk, but hardly anyone understands him (I can't, for sure)! We haven't seen whether Ben has a mom or dad because he's been on a long vacation with his grandfather and cousin. I'm as curious as you are!
— Johnny DC



DRAWING BY JACK CORSENTINO

Dear Johnny DC,

After reading CARTOON NETWORK ACTION PACK #3, I have to remind myself not to have Coop cut the grass on my lawn. The results were as expected, considering Coop used spare parts from Megas XLR.

I also read the CODENAME: KIDS NEXT DOOR story, "Operation T.R.I.K.E." I was careful not to give away the secret plot to anyone, since I knew I was dealing with highly classified information about Numbuh Two.

I noticed that Phil Moy did the art for the SAMURAI JACK story. I have many POWERPUFF GIRLS comics for which Phil was the artist. He is one of my favorite Cartoon Network comic book artists. (Joe Staton and Robert Pope are my absolute favorite artists. I think I always will be reading SCOOBY-DOO comics.)

I had no idea "Man of Action" was really four creative guys. I learned a lot from Johnny DC's interview at the end of issue #3. I'm curious about the clue about Grandpa Max. I really want to know more about his incredible past. I also plan on watching more episodes to see if I can figure out what he has to do with "plumbers."

P.S. I need a new printer for my computer.

Allen Klingelhoets
Barron, Wisconsin

Don't worry, Allen, your handwriting's fine. I can read letters in pen, pencil, and crayon!
— Johnny DC

ACTION READERS'
ART PACK

And now, this is the part of the page where the readers show their stuff. I never know what's coming next (which could be a good thing)! This month, Jill Fate, age 11, from Jensen Beach, Florida draws a pack of heroic sisters.

"MOONFIRE" BY JILL FATE

"NEONFIRE" BY JILL FATE

"GRASSFIRE" BY JILL FATE

"HAWKFIRE" BY JILL FATE

"TOMFIRE" BY JILL FATE

See you next month, with more comics, letters, and drawings! Join the action pack — write Johnny DC!

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THE BATMAN STRIKES! #29
Introducing Robin! What happens when he must join forces with Batgirl without Batman at his side?

CARTOON NETWORK ACTION PACK #9
Ben is faced with not just one, but many villains all week long! Also, Megas XLR and Samurai Jack!

There will be more awesome comics all this year!

CARTOON NETWORK BLOCK PARTY #29
The Bean Scouts want to win the Bullfrog Races, but their contestant is out of shape! Plus Puffy AmiYumi and Johnny Bravo!

TEEN TITANS GO! #39
It's Valentine's Day but when Larry is playing cupid, will the Titans really want to get struck by love's arrows?

JUSTICE LEAGUE UNLIMITED #29
B'wana Beast's "King of the Jungle" attitude is rubbing Superman the wrong way. Can Animal Man play peacemaker?

SCOOBY-DOO #116
Mystery, Inc. faces an abominable snowman on the slopes of Italy. Plus, "Velma's World of Monsters!" !

LOONEY TUNES #146
Yosemite Sam and Daffy have Gold Fever!

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